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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
WHITE HOUSE
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THE PRISCENES ARE HOME FROM IRAN AND I THANK GOD FOR THEIR SAFE
RETURN. I WOULD NOW LIKE TO REQUEST YOUR HELP IN RESOLVING THE ISSUE
OF THE 2500 UNACCOUNTED FOR POW IN VIET NAM. PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATIONS
HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL IN GETTING AN ACCOUNTING AND WE ARE LOOKING TO
YOU TO BRING THIS MATTER TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION. PLEASE GIVE THIS
MATTER YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.

I WISH YOU GODS BLESSINGS AS YOU CARRY OUT THE DUTIES OF THE
PRESIDENCY

MRS D R FUEBS WIFE OF A PILOT WHO DID NOT RETURN

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In reply
refer to: I-06449/81
14 APR 1981

Ms. Dovie Huffman

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Dear Ms. Huffman,

Thank you for your letter of January 28 to President Reagan con-
cerning your brother and the nearly 2,500 other Americans who re-
main unaccounted for in Indochina.

The U.S. Government is continuing its vigorous efforts to account
for all missing Americans from the Vietnam War. Unfortunately,
progress has been painfully slow due to intransigence on the part
of the Indochina governments. Because a significant amount of the
information pertaining to the MIAs is in Vietnamese hands and thus
far we have had little cooperation from the Socialist Republic of
Vietnam, the U.S. Government has been unable to determine the fate
of those missing in action or to verify the validity of reported
sightings of live Americans in Indochina. There is an increasing
number of these reports which indicate that Americans may be held
against their will in Indochina but the U.S. Government has thus
far been unable to substantiate this information and priority ef-
fort will continue to be assigned to investigating these reports.
All reports, whether firsthand or hearsay, are thoroughly investi-
gated to determine if there is any truth to them.

Although only marginally productive, we would hope that the October
1-4, 1980 visit by Joint Casualty Resolution Center officials to
Hanoi will mark the beginning of further meetings between U.S. and
Vietnamese representatives. Our charge d'affaires in Laos is vi-
gorously seeking cooperation from the Laotians to account for our
missing in that country. The current politico-military situation
in Kampuchea makes accounting for our missing there extremely diffi-
cult. President Reagan remains committed to resolving this humani-
tarian matter properly and is kept informed of major developments
by his senior advisors.

We believe the Indochina governments can and ought to do more and we are determined to continue pressing them for every assistance in obtaining the fullest possible accounting and return of all recoverable remains.

Sincerely,

W. J. Jones

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Jan. 28, 1981

Dear President Reagan,

It was 8 years yesterday since the Paris Peace accords were signed and my family is still waiting for my brother to come home from Vietnam. It will be 13 years this May 12.

I have written former Pres. Nixon, Ford + Carter but none seem to care about our men left over there.

DIA has over 300 Line sightings (First Hand) - as recent as last Aug.

Every day we delay, one of our men could die. Please put this as a number 1 object for your administration. Our government sent my brother over there and I would not have thought they would leave him there. Please, please do something.

Thank you

Hovie Hoffman

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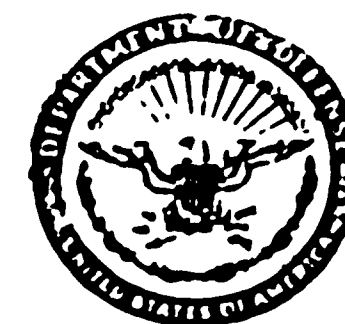
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In reply
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7 APR 1981

Miss Teresa Hughes

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Dear Teresa,

Thank you for your recent letter to President Reagan concerning the nearly 2,500 Americans who remain unaccounted for in Indochina. We appreciate and share your sincere interest in this humanitarian matter.

The U.S. Government is trying very hard to account for missing Americans from the Vietnam War. Unfortunately, it has been difficult to do that because the countries of Vietnam, Laos, and Kampuchea have not been very cooperative. For this reason we have not been able to prove that the reports of Americans being held prisoner are true. However, the U.S. Government is always trying to learn if the information is true regardless of whether the reports come to us from an eyewitness or from a person who heard it from someone else.

Even though we did not make much progress, we would hope that the meeting in Hanoi, Vietnam in October of 1980 between Vietnamese and American officials will be the start of some cooperation to find out what happened to our missing. We believe that the countries of Vietnam, Laos, and Kampuchea can be of more help and we will continue to seek it so the fullest possible accounting of our missing can be obtained.

Sincerely,

Donald S. Jones
Rear Admiral, USN
Director, East Asia
& Pacific Region

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